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4 June 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 4 June 1979

The Director chaired the meeting. []

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Lehman said the coup in Ghana appears to have been aborted by a mix of tribal politicians. []

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Lehman advised that South African Premier Vorster has resigned as a result of the slush fund scandal. He noted that Prime Minister Botha was cleared of any involvement. []

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McMahon noted a report that Qadhafi saw no reason for Libyan troops not to die in Uganda, rationalizing that they must die some place; briefed on a report that the Italians have arrested two of the "most wanted" Red Brigade leaders; and briefed on the tenuous political situation in Turkey, highlighting reports that leaders seek to avoid any circumstances that might provoke military intervention. []

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McMahon noted Don Gregg would commence his assignment to the NSC today. He thought it important that Gregg be given a letter of instruction in order to avoid any allegation that he is our man on the NSC. Mr. Carlucci noted that a letter stipulating his subordination to the NSC is SOP. The Director noted Gregg's assignment represents an opportunity to increase communications. He instructed that we keep him informed. [] said he would meet with him. []

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Hetu said that he had spoken to Jack Anderson who claims he has no one working on a story pertaining to sensitive telephone intercepts (see Morning Minutes of 1 June). Noting there is some criticism of Mr. Anderson coming here to participate in our Guest Speaker Program, the Director said this was his decision and commented that debate and discussion with those of opposing views is beneficial. A brief discussion followed. []

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Bowie provided the Director a draft memo critiquing the net assessment which is on the agenda for this afternoon's NSC meeting. Mr. Carlucci and he commented that it was poorly constructed and misleading. The Director advised that he would be meeting with Bowie to review it later in the day and encouraged the DDCI to attend. The Director then highlighted the agenda for the NSC meeting. He and Bowie concluded that it was far too exhaustive for a 60-minute meeting. []

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Silver recalled the DDCI's query last week (see Morning Minutes of 30 May) asking if some warning might be invoked regarding the disclosure of telemetry. He advised that an examination of 18 US Code 798 "Communications Intelligence" reveals that it can be applied.

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Silver briefed in detail on the status of charter legislation and advised that he would circulate a spread sheet articulating where various provisions stand following this week's SCC working group meeting on same.

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Hitz noted information just received that Chairman Addabbo has cancelled this afternoon's hearing before the House Appropriations Defense Subcommittee and requested that it be rescheduled for 1330 hours, 7 June.

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Wortman advised that in response to the President's energy conservation program, air conditioning thermostats can be set no lower than 80 degrees. He commented that many employees will be very uncomfortable and suggested that they dress accordingly. He also noted that we are obligated to reduce gasoline consumption by 10 percent and spoke of the dilemma created by increased employee requests for use of official transportation rather than reimbursement for POV mileage.

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The Director advised that he had a good meeting session with the President on 30 May wherein he presented the SALT monitoring testimony in detail and will be briefing the Vice President similarly today. 25X1

The Director pointed to the following meetings as being of particular importance this week: PRC on Korea, call on President re the FY 1981 NFIP, and a session with Senators Bayh and Goldwater following up on his meeting last week with Senator Byrd re protecting sensitive SALT verification testimony. Alluding to his request (see DCI MFR dated 29 May, Conversation with Secretary of Defense, 25 May) that we identify those areas of highest sensitivity, the Director said he had asked that they be assembled to determine which we will need fight to keep under S. Res 400 procedures. Hitz requested that he review results and advise. (Action: C/SALT/SS and LC) 25X1
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